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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Western Union Telegram Collection
Dates:	August-October 1962 (bulk September 1962)
Collector:	Western Union Telegraph Company
Physical Extent:	5 boxes (1.88 linear feet)
Repository:	University of Mississippi. Department of Archives and Special Collections. University, MS 38677, USA
Identification:	MUM00472
Language of Material:	English
Abstract:	Collection contains correspondence, mainly telegrams, dated 1962 and related to the University of Mississippi and James Meredith.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collection acquired in 2003.

Processing Information

Additions

No further additions are expected to this collection.

Alternative Formats

Selected telegrams from this collection have been digitized and are available [online](#). All telegrams in the digital collection are related to the integration of the University of Mississippi.

Subject Terms

Meredith, James, 1933- -- Public opinion
Williams, J. D. (John Davis), 1902-1983 -- Public opinion
Barnett, Ross R. (Ross Robert), 1898-1987 -- Public opinion
College integration -- Mississippi -- Oxford -- Public opinion
African American college students -- Mississippi -- Oxford
University of Mississippi -- History
Oxford (Miss.) -- History

Formats

telegrams
correspondence

Historical Note

In January 1961, James Howard Meredith applied for admission to the University of Mississippi, receiving a letter of rejection on 25 May 1961. Following eighteen months of escalating legal battles, the United States Supreme Court ruled in favor of Meredith on 10 September 1962, permitting his admission to the university.

Meanwhile, the Governor of Mississippi, Ross Barnett, staged elaborate opposition to integration of the state's educational institutions. Through strong segregationist rhetoric and a vehemently pro-states' rights platform, Barnett crystallized support from most of the state's elected officials. Building on 1956 legislation creating the Sovereignty Commission, Barnett advocated open defiance to encroachment of Federal laws on Mississippi institutions.

James Meredith arrived on the Ole Miss campus on 30 September 1962. During that evening, a riot erupted in which a white crowd attacked United States Marshals sent to protect Meredith. The arrival of federal troops ended the violence in the early hours of 1 October 1962; two bystanders were killed, 206 marshals and soldiers were wounded and 200 people were arrested during the riot. Meredith officially registered for classes 1 October 1962 becoming the first African-American student at the University of Mississippi.

Scope and Content Note

Materials in this collection consist of telegrams sent to and sent out by the Oxford, MS Western Union telegram office during August-October 1962. Many of the telegrams relate to the integration of the University of Mississippi. There is only one from James Meredith, which is to the Registrar Robert Ellis. The telgrams related to the integration are mostly addressed to Governor Barnett and Chancellor J.D. Williams and both support and denounce the integration. There are also several annotated news stories sent by reporters during September 1962.

Folders without item-level description contain telegrams unrelated to the integration.

User Information

Prefered Citation

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Related Material

Resources at the University of Mississippi

Selected telegrams from this collection have been digitized and are available [online](#). All telegrams in the digital collection are related to the integration of the University of Mississippi.

For more materials related to Civil Rights and the Integration of the University of Mississippi, see our [Civil Rights & Race Relations subject guide](#).

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Folders designated as "Noteworthy Telegrams" pertain to James Meredith & the integration of Ole Miss and are organized by the date and time of day. The general telegrams do not pertain to integration.

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Note: Included is a telegram dated 10 September 1962, 10:36 A.M. from the Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce to President John F. Kennedy urging President Kennedy to look at Mississippi as he flies from Huntsville to Houston, noting state's strong points. On Western Union Telegram letterhead

1.11 Telegrams

Tuesday 11 September 1962

Note: Includes TD. 11 September 1962. 8:49 A.M. J. H. [James Howard] Meredith to [R]obert Ellis, Registrar, University of Mississippi. Re: Enrollment in September

1.12 Telegrams

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1.13 Telegrams

Thursday 13 September 1962

Note: Includes TD. 13 September 1962. Telegram from Annette to Mrs. A.A. Walker concerning Governor Barnett's speech on radio and television that evening at 7:30

1.14 Telegrams

Friday 14 September 1962. Telegrams

1.15.1 TD. 14 September 1962. 8:50 A.M. Bill to Mrs. Bramlett [Virginia Bramlett]. Re: recent wire. Note: Also includes typed reply from Mrs. Bramlett letting the other telegraph operator know that she has "requested your presence in event things get rough up here next week."

- 1.15.2 TD. 14 September 1962. 8:55 A.M. Elmore Greaves, editor of Gulf Coast Gazette to Chancellor Williams. Re: Demanding to know Williams' position on the admission of James Meredith and Judge Black's order.
- 1.15.3 TD. 14 September 1962. 11:18 A.M. Oxford-Ole Miss Citizens' Council to Honorable Ross R. Barnett. Re: Congratulating Barnett on his speech on September 13th.
- 1.15.4 TD. 14 September 1962. 11:18 A.M. Oxford-Ole Miss Citizens' Council to Honorable Ross Barnett. Re: Asking for his presence at regular meeting on 24 September 1962 in the Lafayette County Courthouse.
- 1.15.5 TD. 14 September 1962. 3:24 P.M. Berryhill to Bramlett. Re: Developing conditions and his availability.
- 1.15.6 TD. 14 September 1962. 5:03 P.M. Ragland Radio and TV Center, Leonard Ragland to Honorable Ross Barnett. Re: Courageous stand and speech, Thursday September 13th. Support of Oxford and Lafayette County.

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Monday 17 September 1962. Telegrams

- 2.2.1 TD. [17 September 1962]. In-house telegraph instructions regarding journalists sending telegrams.
- 2.2.2 TD. 17 September 1962. 8:53 A.M. Vivian Davidson to The Board of Trustees, University of Mississippi, Chancellor John D. Williams. Re: A former Mississippian with a student enrolled at the University asks that the Board and the Chancellor consider every possible solution before closing the University.
- 2.2.3 TD. 17 September 1962. 9:04 A.M. Berryhill to Bramlett. Re: Extra help for the Oxford Western Union Telegram Office.
- 2.2.4 TD. 17 September 1962. 10:18 A.M. Fred Fortenberry, Charles Voss and Thomas Purnell to Governor Barnett. Re: Admiration for his stand on state's rights.
- 2.2.5 TD. 17 September 1962, 10:18 A.M. Frances Witherspoon to Officials, University of Mississippi. Re: The daughter of a former Mississippi Congressman and early University of Mississippi Instructor urges officials to defy Governor Barnett and admit James Meredith.
- 2.2.6 TD. [17 September 1962]. 10:30 A.M. Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Askew to The Board of Trustees, University of Mississippi. Re: Urges the Board to support the Governor "in his cause."
- 2.2.7 TD. [17 September 1962]. 10:55 A.M. Oxford, Miss telegraph office to Mrs. Russell Stewart. Re: Mrs. Stewart's message to Governor Barnett not delivered as he is in Jackson, MS.
- 2.2.8 TD. 17 September 1962. 11:25 A.M. Mrs. Russell Stewart to Gov. Ross Barnett and Board of Directors. Re: Maintaining state's rights.
- 2.2.9 TD. [17 September 1962]. 11:30 A.M. Western Union Telegraph Company to Martin S. Hemphill of Brookhaven, MS. Re: Mr. Hemphill's telegram to the Board of Institutes of Higher Learning not delivered as they are not located in Oxford.
- 2.2.10 TD. 17 September 1962. 11:58 A.M. Jack Reed, RW Reed and WR Reed to Chancellor J.D. Williams. Re: Support.
- 2.2.11 TD. 17 September 1962. 12:25 P.M. Western Union Telegram Company to George Bischoff. Re: Bischoff's telegram to the Board of Trustees not delivered.
- 2.2.12 TD. 17 September 1962. 1:16 P.M. In house directions on telegram of Mrs. Russell Stewart to Governor Ross Barnett.
- 2.2.13 TMS. 17 September 1962. 2:43 P.M. Annotated article by Gordon Donaldson to London England's Sunday Express. Re: Canada's Parliament. 5pp.

- 2.2.14 TD. 17 September 1962. 4:37 P.M. Berryhill to Bramlett. Re: Asking if another Western Union operator, Rushing, had reported yet? Note: Also includes Bramlett's typed reply which references a Canadian correspondent here "covering excitement just filed 2000 words press to London England re Canadian News."
- 2.2.15 TD. 17 September 1962. 5:08 P.M. "Gin" [Virginia Bramlett] to Berryhill. Re: Information that Mr. Heaton with Movietone News provided about 24 correspondents arriving in Oxford on Tuesday night.

Tuesday 18 September 1962. Telegrams

- 2.3.1 TD. [18 September 1962]. In house Western Union telegram from J.B. to Berryhill. Re: inquiry from Mr. Cofield in the Public Relations Department at the University of Mississippi regarding capability of Oxford's Western Union office of handling press, they have approximately 25 correspondents on campus at that time.
- 2.3.2 TD. 18 September 1962. 8:45 A.M. In house Western Union telegram from Berryhill to "Gin" [Virginia Bramlett]. Re: Asks that she report when another operator Rushing arrives.
- 2.3.3 TD. 18 September 1962. 9:48 A.M. WH Vaughn of the North Mississippi Detective Agency to Honorable Ross Barnett. Re: asking permission to assist in Oxford.
- 2.3.4 TD. 18 September 1962. 10:01 A.M. Berryhill to Bramlett. Re: Confirming his reservation at Mansels Motel, worried about crowding in Oxford.
- 2.3.5 TD. 18 September 1962. 11:41 A.M. Western Union Telegram Company to Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Lea. Re: Unable to deliver telegram to Board of Trustees.
- 2.3.6 TD. 18 September 1962. 2:19 P.M. Berryhill to Bramlett. Re: Berryhill responding to Bramlett's question regarding keeping the Oxford Western Union Telegraph office open in order to handle press.
- 2.3.7 TD. 18 September 1962. 4:08 P.M. Marshall County Bar Association to Chancellor Williams. Re: Advising that the preservation of the University should be a "consideration paramount to all others."
- 2.3.8 TD. 18 September 1962. 6:22 P.M. Charles H. Griffin, administrative assistant to Congressman John Bell Williams to J. Walter Brown, a senior at the University of Mississippi.
- 2.3.9 TD. 18 September 1962. 6:54 P.M. A.M. Kirk to Robert B. Ellis, Registrar University of Mississippi. Re: Commenting that if Mr. Ellis was "a white man" he should not register James Meredith.

Wednesday 19 September 1962 Noteworthy telegrams

- 2.4.1 TD. 19 September 1962. [time?]. Berryhill to Salzer. Re: Information about keeping the Oxford Western Union Telegram Office open.
- 2.4.2 TD. [19 September 1962]. [time?]. Oxford Miss 19 to Unknown. Re: High priority messages needing to get to Oxford.
- 2.4.3 TD. 19 September 1962. 8:47 A.M. Bill McPeters to Honorable Ross Barnett. Re: Support for Barnett. Reference to a lynching on his property. Note: Attached telegrams advising Mr. McPeters that Ross Barnett was not in Oxford and the telegram could not be delivered.
- 2.4.4 TD. 19 September 1962. 8:50 A.M. Harry P. Gamble to President of the Student Body, The University of Mississippi. Re: Denying Meredith entrance and references to Robert Kennedy as a communist. Note: makes threatening statements.
- 2.4.5 TD. 19 September 1962. 9:10 A.M. Dick Allen to Epsilon XI Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity. Re: Closing of school and moral character of James Meredith.
- 2.4.6 TD. 19 September 1962. 9:14 A.M. Water Valley Jaycees to Honorable Ross Barnett. Re: Support for "courageous stand to keep our university white-at all costs."
- 2.4.7 TD. 19 September 1962. 9:38 A.M. Ruth Ford (Mrs. Zachary Scott) to Chi Omega Sorority, The University of Mississippi. Re: Request by actress and former graduate and Chi Omega at the University of Mississippi to keep the peace and "uphold the constitution of our great country and the rights and privileges of all human beings."

- 2.4.8 TD. 19 September 1962. 10:18 A.M. Western Union Telegram Company to Bill McPeters. Re: Inability to send his telegram as Ross Barnett was not on campus.
- 2.4.9 TD. 19 September 1962. 10:18 A.M. Henry Yarborough to Dr. John D. Williams, Chancellor of the University of Mississippi. Re: Requesting that the Chancellor uphold "our way of life" and support the stand made by Governor Barnett.
- 2.4.10 TD. 19 September 1962. 11:26 A.M. Rudolph Massey to Registrar, University of Mississippi. Re: Advising Registrar not to admit James Meredith and to "help preserve the white race."
- 2.4.11 TD. 19 September 1962. 11:48 A.M. Interested Brothers of AO Chapter Tulane University to Consul Eta Chapter Sigma Chi Fraternity, University of Mississippi. Re: Mocking telegram recommending James Meredith as a fraternity rushee.
- 2.4.12 TD. 19 September 1962, 11:57 A.M. Berryhill to [Helms?]. Re: Tense situation in Oxford's Western Union Telegram Office and anticipation of heavy filings. Describes the University's set up for reporters and inclusion of equipment for telegrams.
- 2.4.13 TD. 19 September 1962. 1:32 P.M. Berryhill to Brooks. Re: Asking for developments in Jackson, Ms noting that several newspaper reporters had left Oxford on their way to Jackson.
- 2.4.14 TD. 19 September 1962. 1:37 P.M. Berryhill to Traweek. Re: Adjustment for press failure in Western Union telegram office.
- 2.4.15 TD. 19 September 1962. 1:46 P.M. Berryhill to [Helms]. Re: Evaluation of the current situation and ability of Oxford's Western Union Telegram Office to handle the reporters and increased traffic.
- 2.4.16 TD. 19 September 1962. 1:53 P.M. Reverend Thomas M. Ward of Louisville Kentucky to James Meredith, Oxford, Mississippi. Re: Support of Meredith and racial justice from a white man in Louisiana. Note: Several in-house Western Union telegrams attempting to locate Mr. Meredith.
- 2.4.17 TD. 19 September 1962. 2:01 P.M. Margaret and the Gladiola Boys to Ken Wooten and George Street, Office of Admission, University of Mississippi. Re: Support.
- 2.4.18 TD. 19 September 1962. 2:08 P.M. Mr. and Mrs. G.T. Watterson to The Chairman Board of Trustees Ole Miss [Note: this has been crossed through in pencil and Registrar has been written in]. Re: Support of Ross Barnett. Note: Several in house telegrams from Western Union notifying the Watterson's that their telegram to the Board of Trustees could not be delivered and was re-directed to the Registrar.
- 2.4.19 TD. 19 September 1962. 2:14 P.M. Western Union Telegram Company to Mr. and Mrs. G.T. Watterson. Re: Inability to deliver their telegram to the Board of Trustees.
- 2.4.20 TD. 19 September 1962. 2:55 P.M. Eldon L. Johnson to Chancellor Williams. Re: Support of Williams.
- 2.4.21 TD. 19 September 1962. 3:00 P.M. Mrs. William Faulkner to Miss Victoria Fielden. Re: Condition of Miss Fielden's mother.
- 2.4.22 TD. 19 September 1962. 3:54 P.M. Linton Crook of Anniston, Alabama to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Courage of Barnett.
- 2.4.23 TD. 19 September 1962. 3:57 P.M. Berryhill to Brooks. Re: Distribution of news release by telegram offices.
- 2.4.24 TD. 19 September 1962. 4:07 P.M. Oxford Western Union Telegram Office to Supervisor. Re: Closing time extended due to "local conditions."
- 2.4.25 TD. 19 September 1962. 7:11 P.M. Robert Erskine Wagner of Meridian Mississippi to The Registrar, University of Mississippi. Re: Asking the Registrar to support Governor Barnett.
- 2.4.26 TD. 19 September 1962. 7:34 P.M. Bill Hurter of Atlanta, Georgia to Dr. J.D. Williams. Re: Support of Williams.
- 2.4.27 TD. 19 September 1962. 8:06 P.M. Berryhill to Farmer. Re: Oxford Western Union office remaining open and notification of heavy press files.
- 2.4.28 TMS. 19 September 1962. 8:45 P.M. Annotated article by Clark Porteous sent to Memphis Press-Scimitar. 2pp.

- 2.4.29 TD. 19 September 1962. 8:50 P.M. Berryhill to TFC Supervisor. Re: Oxford office remaining open later than normal, requesting that the "high priority wires" be transferred to the Oxford office.
- 2.4.30 TD. 19 September 1962. 8:58. Notice from Western Union Telegram Company to Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General that his telegram to Robert Byron Ellis, Registrar at the University of Mississippi had been delivered at 8:51 P.M.
- 2.4.31 TD. 19 September 1962. 9:40 P.M. Notice from Western Union Telegram Company to Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General that his telegram to Arthur Beverly Lewis, Dean College of Liberal Arts was delivered at 9:34 P.M.
- 2.4.32 TMS. 19 September 1962. 10:41 P.M. Annotated article by Dudley Morris, Colonial Hotel, Oxford, Mississippi sent to Birmingham, time inc. 8pp. Re: Attempt in Jackson to register James Meredith. Note: severe vermin damage.
- 2.4.33 TMS. 19 September 1962. 10:54 P.M. Annotated article by George Metz sent to Birmingham News. 3pp. Re: Possible closing of the University of Mississippi.

Wednesday 19 September 1962. General Telegrams

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Thursday 20 September 1962. Noteworthy Telegrams

- 2.6.1 TD. [20 September 1962]. 9:07 A.M. Western Union Telegram Company to W.R. Furniss in Columbus, Ohio. Re: Notifying Mr. Furniss that his telegram to Dr. E.R. Jobe, Executive Secretary Board of Trustees, was not delivered as he was not in Oxford.
- 2.6.2 TD. [20 September 1962]. 9:22 A.M. Berryhill to Helms. Re: In-house Western Union telegram about situation in Oxford office. Berryhill notes, "the only excitement here is among the reporters who can't find anything to write about. All calm and orderly and apparently will remain."
- 2.6.3 TD. 20 September 1962. 9:59 A.M. Mr. and Mrs. John Horan to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Continued support and best wishes.
- 2.6.4 TD. 20 September 1962. 10:20 A.M. M.E. Wallace to Honorable Ross Barnett. Re: Support to "keep our Mississippi schools white."
- 2.6.5 TD. [20 September 1962]. 10:37 A.M. Western Union Telegram Company to M.E. Wallace. Re: Telegram to Ross Barnett not delivered as the addressee was not on campus.
- 2.6.6 TD. [20 September 1962]. 10:55 A.M. Oxford Mississippi Western Union in-house telegram. Re: Attempting to find First Negro Baptist Church or National Negro Church in regard to a telegram sent by Rev. Thomas M. Ward to James Meredith.
- 2.6.7 TMS. 20 September 1962. 11:01 A.M. Annotated article by Dudley Morris, Colonial Hotel, Oxford, Mississippi sent to Birmingham, time, inc. 4pp. Re: Attitude in Oxford regarding integration.
- 2.6.8 TD. 20 September 1962. 11:05 A.M. Western Union Telegram Company to Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General. Re: Telegram of the 19th was delivered to Chancellor John Davis Williams at 10:52 A.M.
- 2.6.9 TMS. 20 September 1962. 12:49 P.M. Annotated article by Fleming, Ole Miss Motel, sent to Query Editor, Newsweek. 6pp. Re: Burning effigies and crosses on Ole Miss campus and legal maneuverings to block Meredith's registration.
- 2.6.10 TD. 20 September 1962. 1:49 P.M. In house Western Union telegram from Berryhill to Kennedy [probably Robert F. Kennedy]. Re: Delivery of Kennedy's telegram to Chancellor J.D. Williams by Berryhill. It was not signed for by Williams, as he was in a conference, but his administrative assistant Hugh Clegg signed for it and promised to give it to Williams immediately.
- 2.6.11 TD. [20 September 1962]. 2:54 P.M. In-house Western Union telegram from Oxford office to unknown recipient. Re: Ira Lamar Morgan.
- 2.6.12 TD. [20 September 1962]. 3:32-3:34. In house Western Union telegram to "TSB, WC, and TFC Supvr." Re: keeping office open until about midnight that evening and that they would not "cut to agency."

- 2.6.13 TD. 20 September 1962. 4:55 P.M. James Ira Grimsley to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Support for governor.
- 2.6.14 TD. 20 September 1962. 4:50 P.M. W.R. Lusk to Ross Barnett. Re: submitting his application to be appointed as registrar of the University of Mississippi. Support of Barnett. Note: Note: Attached is a telegram from the Western Union company stating that telegram could not be delivered , as Ross Barnett left the University before the telegram could be delivered.
- 2.6.15 TD. [20 September 1962]. 5:48 P.M. Western Union Telegram Company to R.C. Langford of Rolling Fork, Mississippi. Re: Ross Barnett left the campus before Mr. Langford's telegram could be delivered.
- 2.6.16 TD. [20 September 1962]. 5:50 P.M. Western Union Telegram Company to James Ira Grimsley of Pascagoula, Mississippi. Re: Ross Barnett left the campus before Mr. Grimsley's telegram could be delivered.
- 2.6.17 TD. [20 September 1962]. 5:50 P.M. Western Union Telegram Company to W. R. Lusk of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Re: Ross Barnett left the campus before Mr. Lusk's telegram could be delivered.
- 2.6.18 TD. 20 September 1962. 6:00 P.M. Linton Crook to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Alabama. Note: Attached telegram from Western Union states that Barnett was en route to Jackson from Oxford and Mr. Crook's telegram could not be delivered.
- 2.6.19 TD. [20 September 1962]. 6:09 P.M. Western Union Telegram Company to Men in Jenkins and McFarland Halls, Louisiana Polytechnic Institute. Re: Telegram to Ross Barnett was not delivered.
- 2.6.20 TD. [20 September 1962]. 6:10 P.M. Western Union Telegram Company to J.O. Hollis. Re: Telegram to Ross Barnett could not be delivered.
- 2.6.21 TD. 20 September 1962. 6:32 P.M. In house Western Union Telegram discussing charges for forwarding various telegrams to Jackson.
- 2.6.22 TMS. 20 September 1962. 7:01 P.M. Annotated article by Fleming, Ole Miss Motel sent to Query Editor, Newsweek. 6pp. Re: Attempted registration of James Meredith.
- 2.6.23 TD. 20 September 1962. 7:18 P.M. Mrs. D.C. Joseph of New Orleans to President of Student Body, University of Mississippi. Re: Support.
- 2.6.24 TD. 20 September 1962. 7:19 P.M. Zeta Zeta Chapter, Baton Rouge, Louisiana to Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon, University of Mississippi. Re: pledging Meredith.
- 2.6.25 TD. 20 September 1962. 7:30 P.M. Kappa Alpha Order, Ole Miss to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Proud of Barnett's stand on the Meredith case.
- 2.6.26 TD. 20 September 1962. 8:35 P.M. John T. Ames to Dr. John D. Williams. Re: Urging Williams to defy Barnett.
- 2.6.27 TMS. 20 September 1962. 8:44 P.M. Annotated article by Clark Porteous sent to Press-Scimitar Memphis, TN. 4pp. Re: Attempted registration of James Meredith.
- 2.6.28 TD. 20 September 1962. 8:17 P.M. Katherine Whitfield Wolf to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Support of "every true Southerner." Note: Attached telegram from the Western Union Oxford office stating that the telegram could not be delivered.
- 2.6.29 TMS. 20 September 1962. 9:18 P.M. Annotated article by Dudley Morris sent to Birmingham, time, Inc.. Re: Attempt of James Meredith to register. 20pp.
- 2.6.30 TMS. 20 September 1962. 10:07 P.M. Annotated article by Joe Moore sent to The Clarion-Ledger in Jackson, Mississippi. 1p. Re: Denial of admission of James Meredith by Governor Barnett and mood on campus.

Thursday September 20. General telegrams

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Friday, September 21. Noteworthy telegrams

- 2.8.1 TD. 21 September 1962. 8:46 A.M. Mary Elizabeth Sample Mosby and Tom Mosby from Denver,

Colorado to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett's stand against the "Kennedy dictatorship." Note: also included is a Western Union reply indicating that the telegram could not be delivered.

- 2.8.2 TD. 21 September 1962. 8:48 A.M. W.A. Weddell of Merritt Island Florida to Chancellor John D. Williams. Re: Support of Williams' stand against "unlawful federal executives and judicial tyranny."
- 2.8.3 TD. 21 September 1962. 8:56 A.M. J.O. Hollis of Boston, MA to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of constitution and Barnett. Note: also included is a Western Union reply indicating that the telegram could not be delivered.
- 2.8.4 TD. [21 September 1962]. 9:36 A.M. Berryhill to Andrews. Re: An in-house Western Union communication asking Andrews to keep Berryhill informed of the developments of federal court hearings scheduled for that day involving university officials and the barring of Meredith from registration.
- 2.8.5 TD. 21 September 1962. 9:41 A.M. The C.P. Granthams of Houston, TX to Ross Barnett. Re: Support. Note: also included is a Western Union communication indicating that the telegram could not be delivered.
- 2.8.6 TD. 21 September 1962. 11:10 A.M. Boyce Holleman, district attorney of Wiggins, MS to A.J. Holloway of the University of Mississippi. Re: Support of the football team and their efforts "in the midst of a crisis which was none of our choosing."
- 2.8.7 TD. 21 September 1962. 11:11 A.M. Harry Inge Johnstone of Mobile, Alabama to Chancellor J.D. Williams. Re: support of Williams' stand on "upholding law" and support of Barnett. Also "abhors the rowdy demonstrations and disgraceful actions of the students. The South's position would be greatly strengthened and dignified if you would publicly announce that any unseemly action by any student would bring immediate suspension from the university."
- 2.8.8 TD. 21 September 1962. 11:12 A.M. W.L. Godwin, Director Southern Regional Education Board, Atlanta, GA to Chancellor J.D. Williams. Re: Thinking about Williams and wishing him luck.
- 2.8.9 TD. 21 September 1962. 11:13 A.M. Robert W. Easley, President Cattaraugus and Allegheny Counties Labor Council to Ross Barnett. Re: Disagreement with Barnett stating, "to be a free American is one of God's greatest gifts to man. No Citizen can be more-no citizen can be less." Note: also contains communications from Western Union indicating that the telegram could not be sent.
- 2.8.10 TD. 21 September 1962. 11:45 A.M. Robert L. Taylor, President Mississippi State University Student Association to Dick Wilson, President Student Body, University of Mississippi. Re: Support of students at the University of Mississippi and hope that no one will be seriously injured.
- 2.8.11 TD. 21 September 1962. 12:08 P.M. Dr. R.M. Gross of Demopolis, Alabama to Miss Patricia Rowland, University of Mississippi. Re: Ashamed of Miss Rowland's stand on integration. Says that her stand helps the cause of integration.
- 2.8.12 TD. 21 September 1962. 1:21 P.M. Dr. R.M. Goss of Demopolis, Alabama to Larry Smitherman, University of Mississippi. Re: Ashamed of Smitherman's stand on integration. Says his stand helps promote integration.
- 2.8.13 TD. 21 September 1962. 2:45 P.M. Okolona Chamber of Commerce to Chancellor J.D. Williams and other University of Mississippi officials. Re: Support of Williams' "courage and loyalty."
- 2.8.14 TD. [21 September 1962] 4:45 P.M. Bramlett to Berryhill. Re: In-house communication from Oxford Western Union office to Jackson office about state of affairs, "had some press for Washington Post and will have more later. They all seem to think things will really pop next week, think Meredith may try return Monday or Tues. All depends on how things go in Meridian."
- 2.8.15 TD. 21 September 1962. 6:25 P.M. Andrews of Meridian Western Union office to Rushing at Oxford office. Re: reporting on outcome on the Justice Department's contempt of court charges for Chancellor Williams, Dean A.B. Lewis, and registrar Robert Ellis for the refusal to allow Meredith to register. On Sept. 21 U.S. District Court Judge Sidney Mize in Meridian abolished contempt charges.
- 2.8.16 TMS. 21 September 1962. 3:06 P.M. Annotated article by James Clayton sent to World Desk,

Washington Post. 2pp. Re: Outcome of trial in Meridian and attitude on University of Mississippi campus. Note: Several additional pages sent at 6:16 P.M.

2.8.17 TMS. 21 September 1962. 12:02 P.M. Annotated article by unnamed correspondent sent to Birmingham News. Re: Refusal to allow Meredith to register on 20th. 3pp.

2.8.18 TMS. 21 September 1962. 5:02 P.M. Annotated article by Charles Whaley, Ole Miss Motel sent to Courier-Journal, Louisville, KY. 3pp. Re: Attitude on University of Mississippi campus.

Friday 21 September 1962. General telegrams

2.9 General telegrams

Saturday 22 September 1962. Noteworthy telegrams

3.1.1 TD. 22 September 1962. 8:51 A.M. George Burrows of Tulsa, OK to Ross Barnett. Re: Suggestions for opposing the "Kennedy Dynasty." Note: Western Union communications regarding inability to deliver telegram in Oxford, suggest forwarding to Jackson.

3.1.2 TD. 22 September 1962. 10:33 A.M. Ed Connell of Clarksdale, MS to Chancellor Williams. Re: Congratulating Williams on the overthrow of the contempt charges in Meridian the day before (although on Saturday the U.S. Court of Appeals in New Orleans, LA ordered the officials and all the board of trustees to appear in court on Monday).

3.1.3 TD. 22 September 1962. 10:34 A.M. Katie and Billy Frazer of Clarksdale, MS to Chancellor J.D. Williams. Re: Support of Williams.

3.1.4 TD. 22 September 1962. 11:03 A.M. Horace Twiford of Clarksdale, MS to Chancellor Williams. Re: Support of Williams.

3.1.5 TD. 22 September 1962. 11:08 A.M. Pat D. Holcomb of Clarksdale, MS to Chancellor J.D. Williams. Re: Congratulating Williams on the overthrow of the contempt charges in Meridian the day before (although on Saturday the U.S. Court of Appeals in New Orleans, LA ordered the officials and all the board of trustees to appear in court on Monday).

3.1.6 TD. 22 September 1962. 11:09 A.M. Ed Connell of Clarksdale, MS to Robert Ellis, Registrar University of Mississippi. Re: Congratulating Ellis on the overthrow of the contempt charges in Meridian the day before (although on Saturday the U.S. Court of Appeals in New Orleans, LA ordered the officials and all the board of trustees to appear in court on Monday).

3.1.7 TMS. 22 September 1962. 11:33 A.M. Annotated article by Dudley Morris sent to Time, Inc. 4pp. Re: Oxford campus, Department of Justice and civil contempt citations in New Orleans.

3.1.8 TMS. 22 September 1962. 11:43 A.M. Annotated page sent by James Clayton to World Desk, Washington Post. 1p. Re: Faulkner and Oxford.

3.1.9 TD. 22 September 1962. 11:55 A.M. Charles McGonagill and C.B. Shipp of Oxford, MS to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Ross and University Trustees.

3.1.10 TMS. 22 September 1962. 12:26 P.M. Annotated page by unnamed correspondent sent to Parker, Time, Inc. 1p. Re: Corrections to article.

3.1.11 TMS. 22 September 1962. 1:03 P.M. Annotated article by unnamed correspondent sent to Time, Inc. 2pp. Re: The fate of higher education in Mississippi.

3.1.12 TMS. 22 September 1962. 1:28 P.M. Annotated manuscript by Charles Whaley, Ole Miss Motel sent to The Courier Journal, Louisville, KY. 5pp.

3.1.13 TMS. 22 September 1962. 2:59 P.M. Annotated article by Joe Moore sent to Clarion Ledger. 1p. Re: registration at the University of Mississippi and news coverage.

Saturday 22 September 1962. General telegrams

3.2 General telegrams

Sunday 23 September 1962. Noteworthy telegrams

3.3.1 TD. 23 September 1962. 9:12 A.M. Richard and Jean Todd of Washington, D.C. to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett.

- 3.3.2 TD. 23 September 1962. 9:13 A.M. David Martinez of Sacramento, CA to Ross Barnett. Re: Disagreement with Barnett's position. Note: also included are Western Union communications indicating that the Martinez telegram could not be delivered.
- 3.3.3 TD. 23 September 1962. 11:25 A.M. Nelson T. Levings of Southampton, NY to Chancellor Williams. Re: Support of Williams and Barnett against the "unconstitutional, political, and prejudiced out of state courts."

Sunday 23 September 1962. General telegrams

- 3.4 General telegrams

Monday 24 September 1962. Noteworthy telegrams

- 3.5.1 TD. 24 September 1962. 8:57 A.M. The Ole Miss [Canterbury?] Association, Reverend Wofford Smith to Chancellor J.D. Williams, Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans. Re: Thoughts and prayers with Chancellor Williams.
- 3.5.2 TD. 24 September 1962. 9:34 A.M. Charlie Hathorn, to Ira L. Morgan, Care Clerks Office Court of Appeals 5th Circuit Bldg.
- 3.5.3 TD. [24 September 1962]. 11:40 A.M. In house communication from Bramlett to Berryhill. Re: Sheriffs and highway patrol and additional reporters.
- 3.5.4 TMS. 24 September 1962. 8:55 P.M. Annotated article by G. Metz sent to The Birmingham News. 6pp.
- 3.5.5 TMS. 24 September 1962. 9:37 P.M. Annotated article "The Chess Game" by Dudley Morris sent to time, inc. 5pp.
- 3.5.6 TD. 24 September 1962. 9:58 P.M. Neal D. Rogers Jr. to Ross Barnett. Re: University of Mississippi's accreditation.

Monday 24 September 1962. General telegrams

- 3.6 General telegrams

Tuesday 25 September 1962. Noteworthy telegrams

- 3.7.1 TD. 25 September 1962. 9:05 A.M. Helen Majors Kitchens of Los Angeles, CA to Ross Barnett. Re: Support. Note: also included Western Union communication indicating inability to send telegram.
- 3.7.2 TD. 25 September 1962. 9:12 A.M. H.A. Fennerty, O.T. Harrington from Louisiana Alpha Chapter to Mississippi Alpha Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. Re: Mocking references to pledging James Meredith.
- 3.7.3 TD. 25 September 1962. 9:14 A.M. John Morris of Miami Beach, Florida to University of Mississippi. Re: Support for stand against integration.
- 3.7.4 TD. 25 September 1962. 9:12 A.M. Joe Woosley to Robert Ellis. Re: "Non Illigiti Carorundum."
- 3.7.5 TD. 25 September 1962. 9:40 A.M. In house Western Union communication from Berryhill to Bramlett. Re: Situation in Oxford. Note: also contains Bramlett's reply which mentions road blocks around campus.
- 3.7.6 TD. 25 September 1962. 1:11 P.M. Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, University, Mississippi to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett.
- 3.7.7 TD. 25 September 1962. 1:27 P.M. Alex Vaughan of State College, PA to Ross Barnett. Re: Support for Barnett. Note: also included are Western Union communications indicating that telegram could not be delivered in Oxford.
- 3.7.8 TD. 25 September 1962. 3:05 P.M. Doris and Bo Murry to Chancellor John D. Williams, Dr. A.B. Lewis and Robert Ellis. Re: Support.
- 3.7.9 TD. 25 September 1962. 3:42 P.M. Cancellation of telegram from Phil Zabriskie and Ted Bennett, Division of College Work, New York, NY to Reverend Wofford Smith. Re: Cancellation of trip to Hattiesburg. Note: The original telegram is also included.

- 3.7.10 TD. September 25. 1962. 4:49 P.M. In-house Western Union communication from Rushing in Jackson office to Berryhill in Oxford. Re: Installation of telephones in "key equipment." "This in connection direct phone highway department."
- 3.7.11 TD. 25 September 1962. 5:48 P.M. Edmund Walker & Tiger Brown of the University of Mississippi to Ross Barnett. Re: Support for Barnett.
- 3.7.12 TD. 25 September 1962. 5:52 P.M. Lynn Britton, George Boutwell, Jimmy Conlee, Carroll Hughes and others, student of the University of Mississippi to Governor Barnett. Re: Support and prayers.
- 3.7.13 TMS. 25 September 1962. 7:34 P.M. Annotated article by Joe Morre sent to Clarion-Ledger. 2pp. Re: Ban by Mississippi Highway Patrol on newsmen entering campus.
- 3.7.14 TMS. 25 September 1962. 7:39 P.M. Annotated article by Clark Porteous sent to Memphis Press-Scimitar. 3pp. Re: Highway Patrol.
- 3.7.15 TD. 25 September 1962. 8:40 P.M. Marshall Bennett and Donnie Brock to Ross Barnett. Re: Student support for Barnett, "proud of our Governor and Sovereign State."

Tuesday 25 September 1962. General Telegrams

- 3.8 General telegrams

Wednesday 26 September 1962. Noteworthy Telegrams

- 3.9.1 TDS. September 26, [1962]. Petition of Oxford, MS citizens supporting "using every legal means to prevent integration at Ole Miss" but also "in favor of keeping our universities and colleges open." 4pp. On Elliott Lumber Company letterhead.
- 3.9.2 TD. 26 September 1962. 9:10 A.M. Charles C. Hathorn to Honorable John F. Kennedy. Re: Asking the President to consider that the "majority of Mississippians believe in states rights. The majority of Negroes in the State of Mississippi are not in favor of your use of force in the Meredith issue."
- 3.9.3 TLS. 26 September 1962. 5:23 P.M. John S. Wagoner of Johnstown, PA to Senator Mike Mansfield, Senator Everett M. Dirksen, Congressman John W. McCormack, and Congressman Charles A. Halleck. 2pp. Re: Asking representatives to try to prevent the use of force in Oxford, MS.
- 3.9.4 TD. 26 September 1962. 5:29 P.M. H.M. Ivy of Meridian, MS to Chancellor J.D. Williams. Re: Has spoken with "several other past presidents of the Southern Association in regard to the effect of closing down the University of Mississippi on the accredited status of the other state institutions of higher learning."
- 3.9.5 TD. 26 September 1962. 7:13 P.M. Dr. Leroy Allen of Raleigh, NC to Ross Barnett. Re: support of states rights. Note: also included are Western Union correspondence indicating an inability to send telegram.
- 3.9.6 TD. 26 September 1962. 7:15 P.M. Arthur Sherman McDonald, Sr. and family of CA to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett saying "keep old Mississippi white and when my 6 year old son grows up I'll send him to college there."
- 3.9.7 TD. 26 September 1962. 7:46 P.M. Dr. William H. Ferguson of Winter Park, FL to President, University of Mississippi. Re: Against actions of Chancellor.
- 3.9.8 TD. 26 September 1962. 9:01 P.M. Cliff Boerema of Plainfield, NJ to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett and offer of help. Note: also included are Western Union communications indicating the inability to send telegram as addressed.
- 3.9.9 TD. 26 September 1962. 10:09 P.M. Rosemary B. Chappel of Glendale, CA to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett.
- 3.9.10 TD. 26 September 1962. 11:24 P.M. St. Mary's College, Notre Dame Indiana to Student Council, University of Mississippi. Re: Support of James Meredith.

Wednesday 26 September 1962. General telegrams

- 3.10 General telegrams

Thursday 27 September 1962. Noteworthy telegrams

- 3.11.1 TMS. 27 September 1962. 8:38 A.M. Annotated article by Bern Rotman of New Orleans, LA sent to Newsday, Garden City, NJ. 2pp. Re: Possibility of closing the University of Mississippi.
- 3.11.2 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:10 A.M. Duncan Gray, Jr. to Mrs. St. Lloyd of North Springfield, Va. Re: Asking Mrs. Lloyd to pray for the University and telling her to look at Memphis papers, not Jackson ones. States that "cooler heads throughout state soliciting telegrams urging governor to keep university open. Watch CBS Eye Witness Friday."
- 3.11.3 TMS. 27 September 1962. 9:10 A.M. Annotated article by Dudley Morris, Ole Miss Motel sent to Parker, New York, Atlanta. 8pp. Re: Attempt to register James Meredith on Wednesday September 26 in Oxford, Paul B. Johnson, United States Marshal James McShane.
- 3.11.4 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:22 A.M. Thomas J. Riggs, Permanent Delegate of AFL CIO Labor Counsel, Houston, TX to Governor Barnett. Re: Support of the Pipefitters Local Union 211 and hopes that the next governor of Texas will "have the intestinal fortitude to take your stand."
- 3.11.5 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:23 A.M. Jean Arthurs Sangster, class of 38 and family of Little Rock, Arkansas to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Support and offer of help.
- 3.11.6 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:26 A.M. Jean Arthur Sangster, class of 38 and family of Little Rock, Arkansas to Lt. Governor Paul Johnson. Re: Support and offer of help.
- 3.11.7 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:24 A.M. Scott McAllister of New Jersey to Lt. Governor of Mississippi. Re: Support and statement to "keep your pow[d]er dry."
- 3.11.8 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:24 A.M. Wendell Care Dick Henry's Restaurant Westhampton Beach, NY to Ross Barnett. Re: Support for Barnett and statement that "here's one good Yankee who will fight with the Rebels."
- 3.11.9 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:27 A.M. Carl E. Hutchinson and Margaret B. Hutchinson of Lakeland, FL to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett's stand "against communism."
- 3.11.10 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:32 A.M. J.D. [Williams] to Dr. Winfred Godwin, Southern Regional Education Board. Re: Cancellation of trip to Miami "due to clash of troops near campus."
- 3.11.11 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:32 A.M. J.D. Williams to Mr. John H. Kunstel, Reservation Manager, Diplomat Hotel. Re: Cancellation of reservations for September 29 to October 1 at the Hollywood-by-the Sea, Florida hotel.
- 3.11.12 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:32 A.M. Daddy to Miss Betty Price. Re: attempted to call, "rumors make things look bad Please stay in."
- 3.11.13 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:33 A.M. Mr. and Mrs. J. Alex Tinsley of West Palm Beach, FL to Ross Barnett and Paul Johnson. Re: Support of Governor , stating "more power to you if you can keep the state of Mississippi under white supremacy. I will sell my home and buy one in Mississippi."
- 3.11.14 TD. 27 September 1962. 10:04 A.M. Jesse Walker, City Editor New York Amsterdam News to Marvin Black, Director of Public Relations, The Mississippian, University of Mississippi. Re: Refusal of accreditation to James L.Hicks on assignment. Asking Black to reconsider.
- 3.11.15 TD. 27 September 1962. 10:33 A.M. Donald Blowers and Family, Cleveland, OH to Ross Barnett. Re: Congratulating Barnett on his stand.
- 3.11.16 TD. 27 September 1962. 10:34 A.M. Mrs. Elizabeth C. Parker of Washington, D.C. to Student Council, University of Mississippi. Re: support of James Meredith.
- 3.11.17 TD. 27 September 1962. 10:40 A.M. In house Western Union communication from Berryhill to Helms. Re: reporting they are in excess of two hundred percent above normal and thanking the offices for "doing an outstanding job."
- 3.11.18 TD. 27 September 1962. 10:44 A.M. In-house Western Union communication from Berryhill to Rushing in Jackson, MS and Helms. Re: Holding telegrams for governor's office until they receive permission to deliver them. Asking them to tell "all your people that they are not to discuss the volume of telegrams with anyone but to refer request to you. You should inform any one inquiring info not available...we are holding in excess of two thousand telegrams for Barnett at Jackson awaiting permission to deliver."
- 3.11.19 TD. 27 September 1962. 11:34 A.M. Harry Newton, Dallas, TX to Gov. Ross Barnett. Re: Support

of Barnett.

- 3.11.20 TD. 27 September 1962. 11:43 A.M. John R. McNeal of Biloxi, MS to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett's actions "for the sake of my family and everybody else's family" and offer of help.
- 3.11.21 TD. 27 September 1962. 11:51 A.M. Howard F. Green of Dallas, TX to Governor Ross Barnett. Re: Support of "a man's man."
- 3.11.22 TD. 27 September 1962. 12:11 P.M. In-house Western Union communication from Berryhill to Helms and Rushing. Re: Handled approximately 11, 320 words from press so far from Oxford on the 27th. The message load is "325 percent above normal."
- 3.11.23 TD. 27 September 1962. 12:47 P.M. Telegram from Oxford citizens, Dr. Robert L. Holley Jr., Mrs. William Faulkner, Mrs. Robert L. Holley, Mrs. Gayle Beanland, Mrs. Sam Friedman, Mrs. Kate Baker and Bank of Oxford to Ross Barnett, Walter Sillers and Senator Homer S. Samuels. Re: Concern for situation at the University and "respectfully urge that you keep the University open, protect its accreditation, and preserve its good name."
- 3.11.24 TD. 27 September 1962. 12:47 P.M. Citizens of Oxford to Ross Barnett, Walter Sillers and Senator Homer S. Samuels. Re: concern about situation at Oxford and "urge that you keep the university open, protect its accreditation, and preserve its good name." Note: Mrs. Faulkner is not included in this list.
- 3.11.25 TD. 27 September 1962. 1:04 P.M. "An American and a Louisianan" J.D. Turner to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett and offer of support.
- 3.11.26 TD. 27 September 1962. 1:11 P.M. Xi Chapter, Kappa Alpha Order, Georgetown, TX to Kappa Alpha Fraternity House, University of Mississippi. Re: Support of XI Chapter Southwestern University for University of MS chapter and support of Barnett.
- 3.11.27 TD. 27 September 1962. 1:42 P.M. A.R. Ingran, Dalton Hyde, H.H. White, D.B. Chittom, J.B. Edgar, A.T. Morgan, D.L. Dorris, Rev. Dorsey McCay, Murray L. Williams of Water Valley, MS to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett.
- 3.11.28 TD. 27 September 1962. 1:51 P.M. In house Western-Union communication from JFN of Tampa, FL to Berryhill, Oxford, MS. Re: Support and offer of help. Note: also includes Berryhill's response indicating that "despite reports to the contrary this is probably the most peaceful town in the nation, news reports and TV newscasts distort picture."
- 3.11.29 TMS. 27 September 1962. 2:10 P.M. Annotated article entitled "The New Ross" by D.M. [Dudley Moore] to Time, Inc. Nation. 6pp. Re: Increasing popularity of Ross Barnett and his political ambitions.
- 3.11.30 TD. 27 September 1962. 2:17 P.M. West Monroe Kiwanis Club, Monroe, LA to Ross Barnett. Re: Support.
- 3.11.31 TD. 27 September 1962. 2:27 P.M. G.S. Monroe, Past President of Mississippi Chapter of Patriotic American Youth to John F. Kennedy. Re: Uncontrollable situation "cease federal intervention before blood flows in streets of Oxford, Mississippi."
- 3.11.32 TD. 27 September 1962. 2:42 P.M. Charles Toni and Guy Newcomb of Osceola, Arkansas to Ross Barnett. Re: Support.
- 3.11.33 TD. 27 September 1962. 3:32 P.M. Robert Huber of Weiner, Arkansas to Governor Barnett. RE: Support of everyone in area.
- 3.11.34 TD. 27 September 1962. 3:27 P.M. Eric Mcvey of Macon, MS to Ross Barnett. Re: Support and wish that Barnett was President.
- 3.11.35 TD. 27 September 1962. 3:27 P.M. Robert A. Fitz of Waco, TX to Ross Barnett. Re: Support.
- 3.11.36 TD. 27 September 1962. 3:28 P.M. Erick Mcvey of Macon, MS to Lt. Gov. Paul B. Johnson. Re: Support.
- 3.11.37 TD. 27 September 1962. 4:54 P.M. Josef C. Dine, Chairman of Freedom of Press Committee, New York, NY to Marvin Black, Public Relations Officer, University of Mississippi. Re: Facilitate efforts of James Hicks, reporter and editor for the New York Amsterdam News.

- 3.11.38 TD. 27 September 1962. 6:05 P.M. Harvey H. Hutchins, Attorney Gulfport, MS to Registrar Robert Ellis, University of Mississippi. Re: Injunction issued by the Chancery Court of Jones County "enjoining you and all employees of the University from performing any act, the execution of which is intended to bring about the registration and enrollment of the negro James Meredith as a student...has been removed by action of the U.S. Department of Justice to the U.S. District Court of the Southern District of Mississippi." Advising that "this injunction is now a federal court injunction, has not been set aside and must be obeyed." Hutchins further states that "defiance of this injunction on your part by any effort designed to enter the negro in the University as a student will cause a petition to be filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Miss. to have you cited for contempt."
- 3.11.39 TD. 27 September 1962. 6:06 P.M. Harvey H. Hutchins, Attorney Gulfport, MS to Chancellor John D. Williams. Re: Injunction issued by the Chancery Court of Jones County "enjoining you and all employees of the University from performing any act, the execution of which is intended to bring about the registration and enrollment of the negro James Meredith as a student...has been removed by action of the U.S. Department of Justice to the U.S. District Court of the Southern District of Mississippi." Advising that "this injunction is now a federal court injunction, has not been set aside and must be obeyed." Hutchins further states that "defiance of this injunction on your part by any effort designed to enter the negro in the University as a student will cause a petition to be filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Miss. to have you cited for contempt."
- 3.11.40 TD. 27 September 1962. 8:16 P.M. The 60 Men of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, University, Ms to Governor John Patterson, Governor of Alabama. Re: thanking Patterson for his support "help save us from Kennedy and Meredith."
- 3.11.41 TD. 27 September 1962. 8:15 P.M. Pendergast to Associated Press, Times Picayune. Re: Governor Barnett and Lt. Governor Paul Johnson left Oxford that evening with police and plain clothes police.
- 3.11.42 TMS. 27 September 1962. 8:36 P.M. Annotated article by Sitton sent to New York Times. 6pp. Re: Cancellation of fourth attempt to enroll James Meredith.
- 3.11.43 TMS. 27 September 1962. 8:43 P.M. Annotated article by Fleming sent to Query Editor, Newsweek. 5pp. Re: Fifth Circuit's contempt citation and atmosphere on campus.
- 3.11.44 TD. 27 September 1962. 8:45 P.M. Mother from Biloxi, MS to George Goodenow, Oxford, MS. Re: Insisting that he come home "week end to avoid trouble there."
- 3.11.45 TD. 27 September 1962. 8:46 P.M. Joseph M. Mosby of Meridian, MS to J.D. Williams. Re: Asking Williams to keep University of Mississippi open on behalf of Lauderdale County Ole Miss Alumni. They resolved that Williams should keep the University open "even if we must bow to the federal government."
- 3.11.46 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:49 P.M. Sigma Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Vanderbilt to Sigma Nu Fraternity, University of Mississippi. Re: Support for Sigma Nu's at Ole Miss. Stating "never a Negro Sigma Nu."
- 3.11.47 TMS. 27 September 1962. 8:59 P.M. Annotated article by Robert Nelson to The Christian Science Monitor. 4pp. Re: Events of Sept. 27 on campus.
- 3.11.48 TD. 27 September 1962. 9:24 P.M. Brandon to Press Thomsonews London. Re: "situation here so unpredictable that its likely waste money and effort file tonight."
- 3.11.49 TMS. 27 September 1962. 10:23 P.M. Annotated article "Justice Department, Act IV" by Dudley Morris sent to Parker, time Inc. 9pp.
- 3.11.50 TMS. 27 September 1962. 10:48 P.M. Annotated article by Robert Nelson sent to The Christian Science Monitor, Sceneweek. 6pp.
- 3.11.51 TMS. 27 September 1962. 11:44 P.M. Annotated article by unnamed correspondent to London Daily Telegraph, Telenews London. 5pp.
- 3.11.52 TD. 27 September 1962. 11:55 P.M. Norman Uphoff, University of Minnesota to Student Body President, University of Mississippi. Re: Need to support James Meredith and have peaceful registration.

Thursday, 27 September 1962. General telegrams

3.12 General telegrams

Friday, 28 September 1962. Noteworthy telegrams

- 3.13.1 TMS. 28 September 1962. 12:33 A.M. Annotated article by Yarbrough sent to Post Dispatch, St. Louis, Mo. 2pp.
- 3.13.2 TMS. 28 September 1962. 1:04 A.M. Annotated article by Alex Thomas sent to The Huntsville Times. 1p.
- 3.13.3 TMS. 28 September 1962. 1:21 A.M. Annotated article by Raymond R. Coffey to Chicago Daily News. 7pp.
- 3.13.4 TMS. 28 September 1962. 8:35 A.M. Annotated article by Robert Baker sent to Washington Post. 7pp.
- 3.13.5 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:15 A.M. Dr. Norman Mann of San Diego, CA to Present, Student Government Association, University of Mississippi. Re: Absence of condemnation of Governor Barnett.
- 3.13.6 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:24 A.M. Rocket of Muskogee, OK to Jack C. Hannah. Re: Support and help.
- 3.13.7 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:29 A.M. W.D. [Heddleston] Jr. to Governor Barnett. Re: Admiration and suggestion to close University.
- 3.13.8 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:31 A.M. Jackie and Jim Pierce of Jackson, MS to Registrar, University of Mississippi. Re: Appreciation of service.
- 3.13.9 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:37 A.M. B. Barbrey of Washington, D.C. to Student Body, University of Mississippi. Re: putting James Meredith through Harvard.
- 3.13.10 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:40 A.M. Mom and Dad from Venice, FL to David D. Mason. Re: Sympathy to the problems of University but asking David to "stay very much in the background."
- 3.13.11 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:41 A.M. Clyde et al. from Corinth, Ms to Bobby Fooshee. Re: "Have gun will travel."
- 3.13.12 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:50 A.M. Mrs. Paul A. Hammer of CA to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett.
- 3.13.13 TD. 28 September 1962. 9:52 A.M. Robert and Sue Victor of New York to Ross Barnett. Re: Support.
- 3.13.14 TD. 28 September 1962. 10:35 A.M. Citizens of Americus, GA to Ross Barnett and Lt. Gov. Johnson. Re: Support and praise.
- 3.13.15 TD. 28 September 1962. 11:39 A.M. Russell Burson Associate from Charlotte, NC to Minister, University Methodist Church, Oxford, MS. Re: Prayers and support.
- 3.13.16 TMS. 28 September 1962. 11:39 A.M. Annotated article by [Dudley Morris?] sent to Parker, Time, Inc. 4pp.
- 3.13.17 TD. 28 September 1962. 11:57 A.M. Alpha Zeta Chapter, Kappa Alpha Order, Williamsburg, VA to Number 1 Kappa Alpha Order, Oxford, Miss. Re: Support.
- 3.13.18 TD. 28 September 1962. 12:20 P.M. Kappa Alpha Order, Gamma PI Chapter Florida to Kappa Alpha Order, Oxford, Miss. Re: Support and help.
- 3.13.19 TD. 28 September 1962. 12:52 P.M. Charles C. Hathorn to Ross Barnett. Re: Support but "please don't let our boys get hurt."
- 3.13.20 TD. 28 September 1962. 1:09 P.M. Elna Smith of Montgomery, AL to Ross Barnett. Re: Contingent of Alabama Volunteers leaving for Oxford on the 29th.
- 3.13.21 TD. 28 September 1962. 1:13 P.M. Unsigned Gamma Rho Chapter of Kappa Alpha Order, Greenville, NC to Kappa Alpha Chapter, University of Mississippi. Re: Support to "the South's last stand."
- 3.13.22 TD. 28 September 1962. 2:18 P.M. Gamma Gamma Chapter of Kappa Alpha, Memphis, TN to

Kappa Alpha Chapter, University of Mississippi. Re: Support.

- 3.13.23 TD. 28 September 1962. 2:22 P.M. H. McCoy Wilson and B. Newell Simrall III to John F. Kennedy. Re: Kappa Alpha Order at the University of Mississippi urging Kennedy to "leave Mississippi in the hands of state officials and our loyal citizens, we feel we are capable of handling our own affairs. With all respect, leave us alone."
- 3.13.24 TD. 28 September 1962. 2:26 P.M. D.L. Pierce et al. of Atlanta, GA to Secretary of State, Mississippi. Re: Georgians offering support to Barnett.
- 3.14.1 TD. 28 September 1962. 2:27 P.M. Phi Alpha Texas Rho, University of Texas Fraternity to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, University of Mississippi. Re: Support and "101 men armed to the teeth...ready to fight."
- 3.14.2 TD. 28 September 1962. 2:36 P.M. William W. Scranton, Member of Congress Tenth District Pennsylvania to James Meredith. Re: Support of his cause. Note: includes several other Western Union communications conveying the fact that Mr. Meredith was not on the Oxford campus and attempts to locate him to deliver telegram.
- 3.14.3 TD. 28 September 1962. 3:08 P.M. O.D. Edwards et al. of Corpus Christi, TX to Ross Barnett. Re: Support of Barnett.
- 3.14.4 TMS. 28 September 1962. 3:13 P.M. Annotated article by Norman Richardson sent to [Sport Times]. About 4 pp.
- 3.14.5 TD. 28 September 1962. 3:50 P.M. John E. McNamee Sr. of Water Valley, Ms to Ross Barnett. Re: Members of ACWA Local 643 of Water Valley support of Barnett.
- 3.14.6 TMS. 28 September 1962. 4:36 P.M. Series of student quotes gathered by Bruce Jayne for Evening Independent, St. Petersburg, FL. 2pp.
- 3.14.7 TMS. 28 September 1962. 6:29 P.M. Annotated article by Brandon sent to Thomason newspapers London. 5pp.
- 3.14.8 TMS. 28 September 1962. 6:37 P.M. Annotated article by D.M. [Dudley Morris] sent to Parker, time. inc. 5pp.
- 3.14.9 TMS. 28 September 1962. 7:07 P.M. Annotated article by Robert Nelson sent to The Christian Science Monitor. 5pp. Re: Actions of the Fifth Circuit Federal Court's decision on the 28th to allow Gov. Barnett until Tuesday of the next week "to purge himself of contempt of their court."
- 3.14.10 TD. 28 September 1962. 7:39 P.M. John L. Daniels of Littleton, CO to Ross Barnett. Re: Opposition to Barnett.
- 3.14.11 TMS. 28 September 1962. 7:52 P.M. Annotated article by Brandon sent to Thompson newspapers, London. 4pp.
- 3.14.12 TMS. 28 September 1962. 9:15 P.M. Annotated article by Clark Porteous sent to the Memphis Press Scimitar. 4pp.
- 3.14.13 TMS. 28 September 1962. 9:56 P.M. Annotated article by Brandon sent to Thompson newspapers London. 2pp.
- 3.15.1 TMS. 28 September 1962. 10:14 P.M. Annotated article from Godfrey Hodgson to London Press Observer. 6pp.
- 3.15.2 TMS. 28 September 1962. 10:15 P.M. Annotated article from Rogers to The Denver Post. 2pp.
- 3.15.3 TMS. 28 September 1962. 10:16 P.M. Annotated article from Rogers to The Denver Post. 5pp.
- 3.15.4 TMS. 28 September 1962. 10:40 P.M. Annotated article by Raymond R. Coffey sent to Chicago Daily News. 5pp.
- 3.15.5 TMS. 28 September 1962. 10:43 P.M. Annotated article by Stan Opatowsky sent to New York Post. 3pp.
- 3.15.6 TD. 28 September 1962. 10:48 P.M. Chi-Omega of Kappa Sigma University of South Carolina to Grand Master, Kappa Sigma Fraternity, University of Mississippi. Re: Support and offer of help.
- 3.15.7 TD. 28 September 1962. 10:55 P.M. Short message/article for the Associated Press from George Bartsch. 1p.

- 3.15.8 TMS. 28 September 1962. 11:09 P.M. Annotated article by Raymond R. Coffey sent to Chicago Daily News. 3pp. Re: The University of Mississippi's Mary Buie Museum.
- 3.15.9 TMS. 28 September 1962. 11:11 P.M. Annotated article by Robert Nelson sent to Chicago's American. 7pp.
- 3.15.10 TMS. 28 September 1962. 11:38 P.M. Annotated article by Michael Dorman sent to Newsday. 4pp.

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Annotated Newspaper and Magazine Articles sent 30 September 1962

8:20 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

- 4.1.1 TMS. 30 September 1962. 8:20 A.M. Annotated article by William R. Clabby, Henry Hotel, Oxford, Mississippi sent to Jim Soderlind, *The Wall Street Journal*, 44 Broad St., New York, N.Y. 6pp.
- 4.1.2 TMS. 30 September 1962. 10:10 A.M. Annotated article by Ivor Davis sent to *Daily Sketch* London. 2pp.
- 4.1.3 TMS. 30 September 1962. 12:03 P.M. Annotated article by Tuttle to City Desk, *Miami Herald*, Miami, Florida. 4pp.
- 4.1.4 TMS. 30 September 1962. 12:58 P.M. Unattributed annotated article by a reporter staying at the Henry Hotel, Oxford, Ms. sent to *Globe and Mail* of Toronto Canada. 1p.
- 4.1.5 TMS. 30 September 1962. 1:44 P.M. Annotated article by Hoke Norris, Henry Hotel sent to *Sun Times*, Chicago, IL. 3pp.
- 4.1.6 TMS. 30 September 1962. 2:50 P.M. Annotated article by Richard Starnes, Hotel Colonial, Oxford, Miss. sent to Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance, Washington, D.C. 5pp.

4:22 P.M. - 6:16 P.M.

- 4.2.1 TMS. 30 September 1962. 4:22 P.M. Annotated article by James Kingsley, Oxford, MS to *The Commercial Appeal*, Memphis, TN. 2pp.
- 4.2.2 TMS. 30 September 1962. 4:43 P.M. Annotated article by D.M. [Oxford, MS] sent to Parker-Time, Inc. for *Life* Editorials. 7pp.
- 4.2.3 TMS. 30 September 1962. 5:03 P.M. Annotated article by John D. Harris, Oxford, MS sent to *Record-American* (Boston, MA), *Times-Union* (Albany, NY), *Examiner* (San Francisco, CA), and *Post Intelligencer* (Seattle, WA). 2pp.
- 4.2.4 TMS. 30 September 1962. 5:09 P.M. Annotated article by Edward P. Moore, Jr. Oxford, MS sent to *Commercial Appeal* Memphis, TN. 2pp.
- 4.2.5 TMS. 30 September 1962. 6:16 P.M. Annotated article "The Governor's Prepared Statement" by [illegible signature] to *Shreveport Times*. In fragments.

6:19 P.M. - 10:07 P.M.

- 4.3.1 TMS. 30 September 1962. 6:19 P.M. Annotated article by Gene Sherman, Thrift Courts, Water Valley, MS sent to executive news editor, *Los Angeles Times*. 4pp.
- 4.3.2 TMS. 30 September 1962. 6:34 P.M. Annotated article by Jack Roach to Managing Editor, *Charleston News and Courier*, Charleston, SC. 3pp.
- 4.3.3 TMS. 30 September 1962. 6:46 P.M. Annotated article by Anthony Harrigan sent to Managing Editor, *The News and Courier*, Charleston, South Carolina. 5pp.
- 4.3.4 TMS. 30 September 1962. 7:08 P.M. Annotated article by Crittenden sent to City Editor, *San Francisco Examiner*, San Francisco., CA.
- 4.3.5 TMS. 30 September 1962. 7:09 P.M. Article by unidentified correspondent sent to [*South Port Times?*]. 1p.
- 4.3.6 TMS. 30 September 1962. 9:06 P.M. Annotated article by Anthony Harrigan sent to *The News*

and Courier, Charleston, SC. 2pp.

- 4.3.7 TMS. 30 September 1962. 10:07 P.M. Annotated article by Gene Sherman sent to executive news editor, *Los Angeles Times*. 4pp.
- 4.3.8 TMS. 30 September 1962. 10:07 P.M. Annotated article by unidentified author sent to Press Reuters, New York. 2pp.

10:10 P.M. - 11:40 P.M.

- 4.4.1 TMS. 30 September 1962. 10:40 P.M. Annotated article by Cruttenden sent to City Editor, *San Francisco Examiner*. 3pp.
- 4.4.2 TD. 30 September 1962. 10:43 P.M. Telegram received by telephone from George Bartsch to "the Associated Press." 1p.
- 4.4.3 TMS. 30 September 1962. 10:53 P.M. Annotated article by Walter Wallich, Oxford, MS sent to Newscasts, London, WI. 2pp.
- 4.4.4 TD. 30 September 1962. 11:03 P.M. Annotated article by Coffey to *Chicago Daily News*. 3pp. On Western Union Press Message letterhead. Note: Coffey begins by writing, "Note to desk: impossible get phone line out of here; hence using this."
- 4.4.5 TD. 30 September 1962. 11:09 P.M. Annotated article by Starnes sent to *Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance*, Washington, D.C. 4pp. One page on Western Union Press letterhead. Note: Extensive notes on backs of pages. First article to mention the death of Paul Guihard.
- 4.4.6 TD. 30 September 1962. 11:10 P.M. Annotated telegram-article sent by Robert Nelson, Colonial Hotel sent to *The Christian Science Monitor*, Boston, MA. 6pp. On Western Union telegram letterhead.
- 4.4.7 TD. 30 September 1962. 11:40 P.M. Annotated telegram-article by Stan Opatowsky sent to *New York Post*. 8pp. On Western Union Press Message letterhead.

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